

United States Senator

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PLACE OF BIRTH: Norwich NY

SPOUSE'S NAME: James Chesbro, Sr.
(deceased)

CHILDREN'S NAMES: Jennifer, James, Heidi &
Mark Chesbro, Carrie Gill,
Amy Chesbro (deceased)

OCCUPATION: Lifelong educator, now retired

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 48 years

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:
Palmer AK, 1974-77
Wasilla AK, 1977-current

EDUCATION:
Sherburne (NY) Central School, Syracuse University,
SUNY Albany, UAA

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:
MatSu Borough Planning Commission

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:
Reading/English Teacher and Principal: Palmer High School
Superintendent: Matanuska Susitna Borough Schools
Assistant Professor and Interim Dean: UAA College of Education

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:
Board member of the Palmer Community Foundation, Palmer Museum of History and Art, Palmer Arts Council, and Palmer Coalition.

SPECIAL INTERESTS:
Traveling and enjoying our natural environment.

STATEMENT:
As a longtime educator, I find myself increasingly concerned for our children and young people. At a time in their lives when they should be feeling hopeful and optimistic about the opportunities that lie ahead, they see division, disrespect and intolerance in the language and behavior of local and national leaders. They see efforts to take away rights that have been fought for and respected for many years, specifically a woman's right to choose, and wonder which rights will be next. They see few efforts to curb the gun violence that steals the futures of their peers. They see unrelenting emphasis on profit-making over healing our planet.

The elected leaders of our country set the tone for our nation. As an experienced leader, I am committed to bringing honesty and responsibility back to the Senate. I am committed to modeling the behavior we must teach our children. I am committed to strengthening the democracy they deserve in their future.

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